

REMARKS

In the office action mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office
October 21, 2005 claims 1-3 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated

5 by Pope, L (1999 – Nutrition 2000 internet site). Applicant has respectfully amended
independent claim 1 of the present invention to include “non-Morinda citrifolia based
fruit juice” as a limitation. Pope does not describe combining the administration of
Morinda citrifolia fruit juice concentrate with non-Morinda citrifolia based fruit juice.

Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that the claims set as presently amended is

10 not anticipated by the cited art.

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CONCLUSION

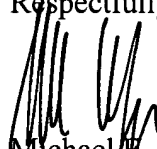
Based on the foregoing, Applicant respectfully submits that the deficiencies in the application have been corrected and that the proposed claims are neither anticipated nor rendered obvious by the prior art reference cited by the Examiner. As such, Applicant
5 believes that the claims are now in a condition for allowance, and action to that end is respectfully requested.

If any impediments to the allowance of this application for patent remain after the above amendments and remarks are entered, the Examiner is invited to initiate a telephone conference with the undersigned attorney of record.

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Respectfully submitted,

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